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1. IN MEETING MAY 25 WITH ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER BOUTROS GHALI, I INFORMED HIM OF APPROACH WE ARE MAKING THROUGH THE BRITISH TO PDRY ON A STRICTLY EXPLORATORY AND NON-
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COMMITTAL BASIS. SINCE GHALI WAS NOT IN FOREIGN MINISTRY AT TIME OF EARLIER DISCUSSIONS WITH EGYPTIANS ON THIS SUBJECT, I INFORMED HIM OF AMBASSADOR EILTS' TALK LAST OCTOBER WITH THEN FOREIGN MINISTER FAHMY AND OF FAHMY'S POSITIVE REACTION (REF B). GHALI SAID HIS OWN RESPONSE WAS ALSO POSITIVE AND NOTED THAT DESPITE EGYPTIAN BREAK IN RELATIONS WITH SOUTH YEMEN, IT STILL HAD "A MAN ON THE

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SPOT" WHO MIGHT PERHAPS BE OF ASSISTANCE TO OUR TEAM.
GHALI SAID HE BELIEVED IT IMPORTANT TO TRY TO INCREASE
MODERATE INFLUENCE ON SOUTH YEMEN, THOUGH HE WAS NOT SURE
SUCH EFFORTS WOULD BE SUCCESSFUL. HE ALLUDED TO LARGE
SOVIET AND CUBAN PRESENCE IN SOUTH YEMEN AND HEAVY PDRY
INVOLVEMENT IN ETHIOPIA, AS WELL AS ITS SUPPORT OF
TERRORISM AND SUBVERSION ELSEWHERE. HE NEVERTHELESS
HOPED THAT OUR TEAM'S VISIT WOULD HAVE SOME USEFUL
RESULTS. MATTHEWS

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